

**Construction Fatalities Supplement, 2006
Washington FACE Program
September 13, 2006**

Construction Incidents

In 2006 to date, there have been 16 construction fatalities as counted by the Washington FACE program. Seven of these were motor vehicle incidents, five were falls from elevation, three were electrocutions, and one was heat-related illness. King, Pierce and Benton Counties each experienced two construction fatalities, while nine other counties each had one fatality. Table 1 shows the number of fatalities by county and WISHA jurisdiction.

Two fatalities have occurred in each of four trades: Electrical, Painting, Residential Contracting, and Excavating. Seven other trades or types of contractors experienced one fatality each. These are detailed in table 2.

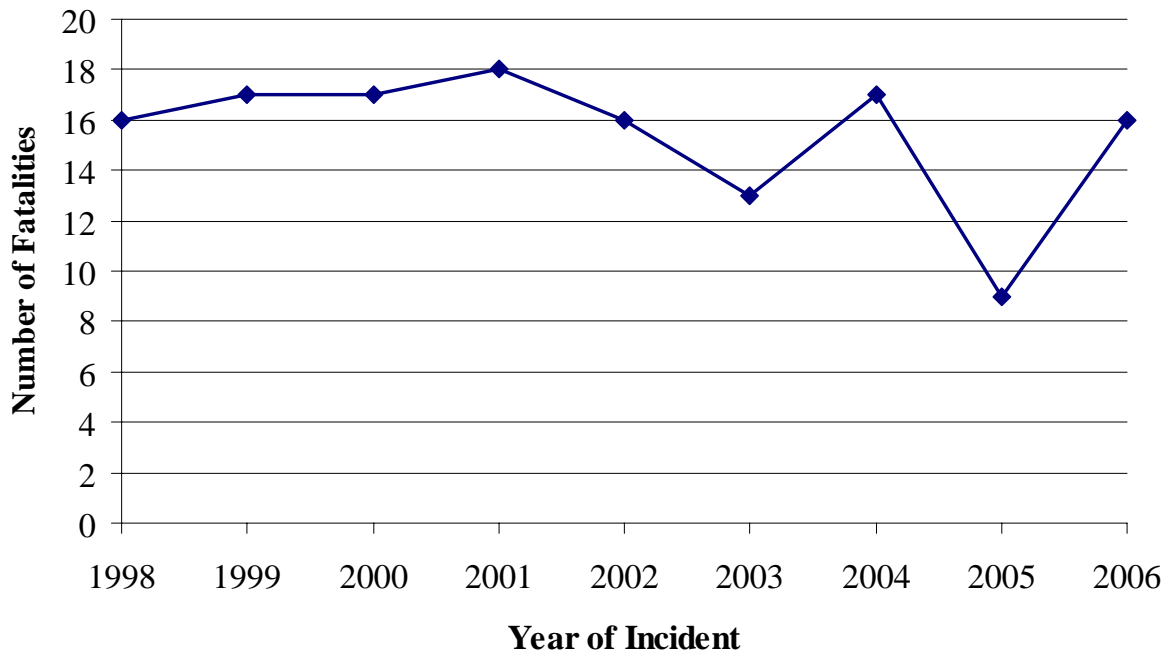


Figure 1. Construction fatalities by year as reported by WA FACE from 1998-2006 (as of September 13, 2006).

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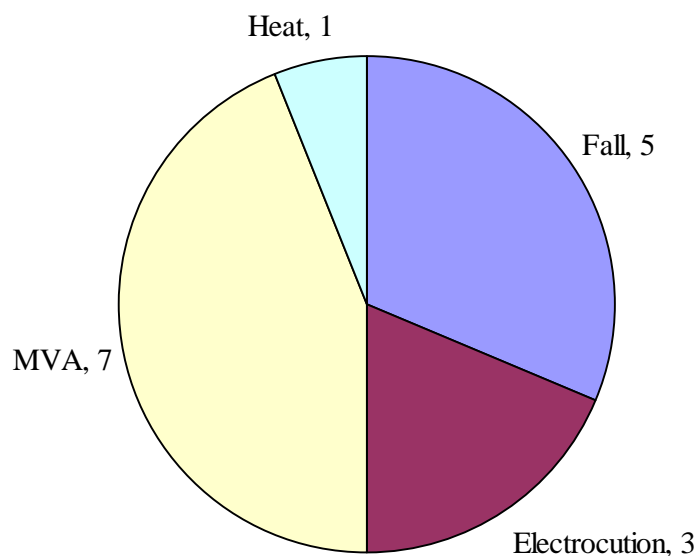


Figure 2. 2006 (as of September 13, 2006) construction fatalities by type of incident, as reported by WA FACE.

Table 1. Construction Fatalities Reported by WA FACE in 2006 (as of September 13, 2006) by County and WISHA Jurisdiction

County	Fatalities	WISHA Jurisdiction
King	2	2
Pierce	2	1
Benton	2	1
Snohomish	1	1
Jefferson	1	0
Clark	1	1
Spokane	1	0
Grant	1	1
Douglas	1	1
Skamania	1	1
Lewis	1	1
Stevens	1	1
Franklin	1	1
Total	16	12

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Table 2. Construction Fatalities Reported by WA FACE in 2006 (as of September 13, 2006) by Trade or Type of Contractor

Trade or Type of Contractor	Fatalities
Electrical	2
Residential Contracting	2
Painting	2
Excavating	2
Highway/Street Construction	2
Roofing/Siding	1
Carpentry	1
Steel Erection	1
Utility Construction	1
Heavy Construction	1
Equipment Installation	1
Total	16

All Incidents

There have been 58 work-related acute trauma fatalities reported to WA FACE as of September 13, 2006. Construction has the highest number of incidents with 16, followed by Transportation and Warehousing with 13, and Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting with 4 incidents. Table 3, below, details the number of incidents across industry sectors.

Table 3. Work-related Acute Trauma Fatalities by Industry Sector for 2006 in Washington (as of September 13, 2006)

Industry Sector	Fatalities
Construction	16
Transportation and Warehousing	13
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7
Public Administration	4
Manufacturing	3
Information	3
Retail Trade	2
Admin and Support & Waste Mgmnt and Remed.	2
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	2
Accommodation and Food Services	2
Other Services	2
Health Care and Social Assistance	1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1
Total	58

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